

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

JOE R. BRAWLEY,

Plaintiff,

v.

U. S. BANK, N.A.,

Defendant.

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Civil No. **05-911-JLF**

ORDER

PROUD, Magistrate Judge:

Before the court is plaintiff's Order Request, which the court construes as a Motion for Discovery. **(Doc. 31)**.

Plaintiff asks the court to order the production of various records in the possession of defendant and of the Federal Trade Commission. Such a request should not be filed with the court. The discovery process generally takes place between the parties without court involvement. The court becomes involved in the discovery process only when a party objects to a discovery request.

If plaintiff wants defendant to produce documents, he should serve a request for production of documents on defendant by mailing it to defendant's attorney. If plaintiff wants documents to be produced by a nonparty, such as the FTC, he may serve a subpoena requiring production of the desired materials.

The court notes that plaintiff requests a copy of his former attorney's file. This request should be made directly to the attorney.

Lastly, plaintiff requests fax numbers and e-mail addresses for the court. All such

information can be obtained from the court's website at www.ilsd.uscourts.gov. However, the court cautions plaintiff that any communication with the court must be done in writing (on paper), with a copy mailed to defendant's attorney.

Upon consideration and for good cause shown, plaintiff's Order Request, construed as a Motion for Discovery (**Doc. 31**) is **DENIED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATE: December 11, 2006.

Clifford J. Proud
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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE